COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE JOINT APPLICATION OF USA MOBILE

COMMUNICATIONS, INC. ("USA"), MULTI-PAGE,

INC., COMMONWEALTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS,

INC., RADIO COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION

AND METRO TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF KENTUCKY,

INC. (COLLECTIVELY, THE "SELLERS"), TO,

INTER ALIA, (1) ACQUIRE AND TRANSFER

OWNERSHIP AND CONTROL OF THE SELLERS BY

THE SALE OF THEIR ASSETS AND BUSINESS TO

USA AND (2) TRANSFER AND ASSIGN THE

CERTIFICATES OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

GRANTED IN CASE NOS. 8692, 9418, 9837,

8619, 9242, 7090 AND 8086

ORDER

On September 24, 1987, Multi-Page, Inc. ("Multi-Page"), Commonwealth Telecommunications, Inc. ("ComTel"), Radio Communications Corporation ("RCC"), Metro Telecommunications of Kentucky, Inc. ("Metrotec") (collectively the "Sellers"), and USA Mobile Communications, Inc. ("USA") filed a joint application requesting approval of the transfer of radio common carrier assets of the Sellers to USA. Based on the evidence of record and being advised, the Commission is of the opinion and hereby finds that:

l. Multi-Page is a Kentucky corporation providing one-way automatic, direct dial radio paging and automatic two-way mobile telephone service in the counties of Hardin, Grayson, Christian, Todd, Logan, Simpson, McCracken, Marshall, Trigg, Caldwell, and Livingston, Kentucky.

- 2. ComTel is a Kentucky corporation providing radio paging service to the counties of Franklin, Fayette, and Madison, Kentucky. ComTel also provides radio paging service on and around the Fort Knox military reservation and Radcliff, Kentucky.
- 3. RCC is a Kentucky corporation providing radio paging and mobile telephone service in the counties of Fayette and Franklin, Kentucky.
- 4. Metrotec is a Kentucky corporation providing radio paging and mobile telephone service in and around Fayette County, Kentucky.
- 5. USA is a Virginia corporation and operates as a radio common carrier in Matewan, West Virginia, providing the same services to its Virginia customers as the Sellers provide to their Kentucky customers.
- 6. In Case No. 10025, 1 USA was granted authority to acquire the radio common carrier assets of Kentucky Radio Service, Inc. Pursuant to that Order, USA is currently authorized to provide radio common carrier service to Kentucky customers formerly served by Kentucky Radio Service, Inc.
- 7. USA is ready, willing, and able to acquire and operate the radio common carrier assets of the Sellers.

Joint Application of USA Mobile Communications, Inc., and Johnny L. Wills, d/b/a Kentucky Radio Service, Inc. The order granting approval of the requested acquisition was issued on November 13, 1987.

- 8. USA possesses the financial, technical and managerial capability to provide reasonable service within the service areas of the Sellers. USA has indicated that all employees of each of the respective sellers who are currently responsible for providing and maintaining service will be retained by USA if the transfers are approved.²
- 9. USA should be authorized to provide radio common carrier service to those areas formerly served by the Sellers.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. The sale and transfer of radio common carrier assets of the Sellers to USA be and it hereby is approved.
- 2. USA shall be authorized to offer those services formerly provided by the Sellers pursuant to authority granted by this Commission.
- 3. Within 5 days subsequent to the transfer, the Sellers and USA shall file with the Commission a joint notice setting forth the date of transfer. Until such notice is filed, the transferors shall remain subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.
- 4. Within 30 days subsequent to the transfer, USA shall file a notice of adoption of each Sellers' tariff.
- 5. Each Seller shall have the responsibility of filing with the Commission an annual report for that portion of 1987 in which it operated the radio common carrier assets being transferred.

Response to deficiency letter of October 2, 1987. (Response filed October 21, 1987.)

6. USA shall have the responsibility of filing with the Commission an annual report for that portion of 1987 in which it operates the radio common carrier assets acquired from these Sellers.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 23rd day of November, 1987.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

Vice Chairman

Commissioner

ATTEST:

Executive Director